

## Experts in herbal pet care

Nothing beats having a healthy, happy dog. We know that because we love dogs as much as you do. For almost 70 years we've been breeding, working and showing dogs, and applying our knowledge of herbal medicine to their health and nutritional needs. We're now in our third generation at Dorwest, where our insights have made us the UK's leading provider of canine and feline herbal treatments – and the only manufacturer of herbal medicines authorised by the Veterinary Medicines Directorate.

In more than 20 countries around the world we're helping dog and cat owners keep their pets healthy and content. They come to us for herbal treatments that work in harmony with their dogs – the young and the old...glossy show dogs and lovable crossbreeds...active, outdoors types and contented, fireside stay-at-homes.

## Dog lovers with pharmaceutical standards



A commitment to medicinal rigour underpins everything we do. We prepare our treatments to pharmaceutical standards using active ingredients taken from the whole plant. No second-stage extracts for us: ours come directly from the leaves, stems, roots and first pressings of oil – and only from herbs that meet our own stringent quality standards. The result is a comprehensive range of herbal veterinary medicines, herbal dietary supplements and homoeopathic remedies that help keep your dog or cat's life in balance.

Away from the lab and the white coats, we're typical dog lovers – keen to chat with fellow dog owners and delighted to offer advice on anything from supplements for an active lifestyle to treatments for travel sickness, phobias or ageing joints. We love being part of that great dog-owning community, and feel privileged to be able to share our expertise with fellow dog enthusiasts.

Should you require further information on other leaflets in our range or require advice either:

Ask at your local stockist to speak to the Dorwest trained member of staff.

Call Dorwest direct on 01308 897272 to speak to an expert advisor (9am – 4pm Monday to Friday)



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## Liver problems?

Supporting your pet's liver function



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The fruits of Milk Thistle, *Silybum marianum*, contain silymarin which has a beneficial effect on liver function by scavenging free radicals and so protecting the liver. As dogs and cats have shorter digestive systems than people, they need to absorb nutrients in a shorter time so high quality ingredients are essential. The extract used in our tablet is the highest pharmaceutical quality available which places it in the forefront of natural hepatoprotective products, so you can be sure of maximum effect.

- There may be no outward symptoms of impaired liver function
- Problems are often diagnosed by your vet through a blood test
- If your pet is taking long term medication its liver may be under stress
- Milk Thistle tablets should be given at any time when liver function is likely to be compromised
- Silymarin reduces the levels of the enzyme markers denoting liver damage
- This supplement is widely recommended by vets for liver support

Remember we are not vets and do not diagnose. You should always consult a vet if you are concerned about your pets health.

## “ABSOLUTE FAITH IN DORWEST”

Earlier this year during a routine blood test for my 12 year old miniature poodle it was found that two of her liver enzymes showed an abnormal rise. I saw that **Milk Thistle Tablets** gave a natural source of Silymarin which protects the liver when it is in need of support.

I showed this to my vet and she immediately recommended that I use these particular tablets, with a prescription tablet she insisted I gave the dog.

We are both extremely pleased, her liver is back to normal and her prescription drug is now being stopped. I have absolute faith in Dorwest Herbs and I would never hesitate in recommending their products, either on their own or alongside any drugs the vets may prescribe.

*Miss P Morris, Bournemouth*

## What is liver function and how to support it?

### Supporting the liver naturally

The liver is a real powerhouse within the body – responsible for breaking down and detoxifying harmful agents and activating other substances essential for metabolism. It also stores nutrients and is important in immunity. However its work can be impaired as a result of inflammation; long-term drug administration such as phenobarbitone and non-steroidal anti-inflammatories (NSAIDs); toxins from fungi or contaminated food, as well as from immune system injury. If your pet has compromised liver function or it is likely that the liver is under stress then Milk Thistle is recognised as a beneficial supplement to support and maintain good liver function.



### Milk Thistle Tablets

This veterinary herbal supplement is for use at times when the liver needs extra support or is under stress. It supports the liver and can be used alongside conventional medication prescribed by your vet.

Give one tablet for every 5kgs of your pet's weight daily, giving half in the morning and half in the evening.

Not recommended for use during pregnancy or lactation.

Active ingredients in each tablet:  
Milk Thistle seed extract 100mg (80% silymarin)



### Additional information

Studies show that although Milk Thistle is ideal to use in conjunction with other medicines or supplements, it is more beneficial when not directly combined in a tablet with other liver supporting herbs, so this tablet uses only the whole Milk Thistle fruit. Milk Thistle does not have preventative benefits and so should only be given when the liver is, or is likely to be, under stress.

We also produce a Veterinary Technical Sheet on Liver Support that is designed to give extra information for vets and other professionals. We'd be happy to send this to your vet if they would like a copy. Milk Thistle has an excellent safety record and there have been NO adverse reactions or side effects recorded in relation to our Milk Thistle Tablets.

